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Inventor: KOZO YOKOYAMA  
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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time, a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and a requisite fee being enclosed.

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

Any fee due with this paper may be  
charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1290.

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pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.10  
By Frances Doyle